

**Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation
District Regular Board Meeting
February 26, 2026
8:15 am
611 Broadway Ave. Suite 10B**

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

III. AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments limited to 5 minutes per speaker

V. CONSENT AGENDA -Board Action

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and may be enacted through one motion. Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed by any of the Board members for separate consideration

i. Contract Agreement

- A. SE SWCD Technical Support JPB sub-agreement for MAWQCP funds in the amount of \$50,000.00. Contract 01/01/2026 – 12/31/2027.
- B. Freeborn SWCD sub-agreement for MAWQCP funds in the amount of \$2,500.00. Contract 01/01/2026 -12/31/2027.
- C. Freeborn SWCD-PT Employee sub-agreement for MAWQCP funds in the amount of \$2,500.00. Contract 01/01/2026 – 12/31/2027.

ii. Contract Amendment

- A. Contract for Services Amendment to TTT LSR Project Contract with Lindberg Ekola. (Turkey Trout and Timber – Landscape Scale Restoration: Protecting Forestlands in the Driftless Area.) Amend end date to 6/30/2026. \$10,000.00 remaining at amendment.
- B. FY23 State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources 2023 Competitive Grant – Wabasha SWCD Grant Amendment. West Indian Creek Watershed Restoration and Protection Grant's new expiration date is 12/31/2026. Grant ID# C23-3363. Original agreement amount of \$178,725.00.

iii. Vouchers

iv. Grants

- A. FY2026 State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Buffer Implementation Program Grant Agreement. Grant ID# P26-0146 Buffer Law (Wabasha SWCD) in the amount of \$20,000.00. Expiration date 12/31/2028.
- B. FY 2026 State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Soil Health Delivery Program Grant Agreement. Grant ID# P26-0841 in the amount of \$30,000.00. Expiration Date 12/31/2028.

VI. SECRETARY'S REPORT

- A. January 22, 2026, Meeting Minutes – **Board Action**

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT – Board Action

- A. January District Financial Statements
Included for your review
- B. January Program Record

VIII. PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS

- A. Monthly Bills in the amount of \$17,207.63 - **Board Action**
- B. Note: Southeast Service Cooperative – Health Insurance March premium will be paid on 3/1/2026 in the amount of \$5,234.34 by automatic withdrawal.

IX. DISTRICT REPORTS

- A. Chair Report – Lynn Zabel
- B. County Commissioner – Bob Walkes
- C. District Manager Report – Terri Peters
- D. NRCS Report – Christina Taylor – (In the packet)
- E. Natural Resources Technician Report– Katelyn Abts – (In the packet)
- F. Soil Health/Nutrient Management Tech Report – Deanna Pomije (in the packet)
- G. Conservation Planning & Outreach Technician – Ella Jurgerson (In the packet)
- H. BWSR Report –
- I. FSA – Colleen Pawlenty

X. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Conservation Project – Lynn (open to any Supervisor for ideas)

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve Richard Heil Contract# 26-CC-2 in the amount of \$454.42 for Practice 314 Brush Management and Practice 612 Tree/Shrub Establishment.
Installed by date 11/30/2026.
(Funding source – FY26 Conservation Contracts)
- B. Southeast Minnesota Safe Drinking Water for Private Well Users updated Sub-agreement between Olmsted SWCD and Wabasha SWCD.
End date 04/01/2027.
- C. Cancel Eversman Brothers Farms Contract# 23-CWF-WIC-2 in the amount of \$6,357.67, for 410 Grade Stabilization. Bringing this to the board's attention that the contract expired on 11/30/2024. No response from the Eversman Brothers Farms – **Board Action**
(Funding source – FY23 WIC Watershed Restoration & Protection)
- D. Cancel Eversman Brothers Farms Contract# 23-CWF-WIC-3 in the amount of \$8,370.38, for 410 Grade Stabilization. Bringing this to the board's attention that the contract expired on 11/30/2024. No response from the Eversman Brothers Farms — **Board Action**
(Funding source – FY23 WIC Watershed Restoration & Protection)
- E. February Soil Health RCPP 2026 Ranking/Batching – **Board Action**
- F. Approval of hiring a replacement for Matt's position. – **Board Action**
- G. Approval for Terri to write Letter of Support for Research Opportunity through University of Minnesota – **Board Action**
- H. 2026 Budget – **Board Action**

I. Upcoming Events

- i. MASWCD Legislative Briefing and Day at the Capitol – March 17-18
- ii. Area 7 Spring Meeting – Tuesday, March 24th
- iii. March 26th Regular Board Meeting

XII. Board Reports

- A. Whitewater JPB – Lynn
- B. Zumbro 1W1P – Dag
Dag's report for the Feb. 12th meeting is included in the board packet.
- C. WinLaC 1W1P – Lynn
- D. SE SWCD Technical Support JPB - Dag
- E. County Board Meeting – Sharleen

XIII. Adjourn – Board Action